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INDEPENDENCE WITHIN A HETEROGENEOUS INFORMATION  
DISTRIBUTION SYSTEM

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**AMENDMENT UNDER 37 CFR § 1.111**

In response to the Office Action dated **March 29, 2001**  
(paper number 6), please amend this application as follows:

**IN THE SPECIFICATION**

Please replace the following paragraphs in the  
specification as follows:

Page 1, beginning at line 33, to page <sup>2</sup>4, line 14:

B1  
An interactive information distribution system  
provided by DIVA Systems Corporation of Redwood City,  
California is described in more detail in U.S. Patent No.  
6,253,375, issued June 26, 2001 and incorporated herein by  
reference in its entirety. Users or subscribers to the  
DIVA system select information offerings using a  
"Navigator" functionality, which is described in more  
detail in U.S. Patent No. 6,208,335, issued March 27, 2001